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Mr. Vernal Mortensen  
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Dear Mr. Mortensen:

The Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) has terminated, effectively immediately, Federal permit UT-0003, issued on June 20, 1980 for Coastal States Energy Company's Skyline mine. The Federal permit was terminated in accordance with OSM's Directive on the Termination of Federal Permits because the State of Utah has a cooperative agreement that delegates the permitting responsibilities on Federal lands to the State, and the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGM) has issued State permit ACT/007/005 for the Skyline mine in accordance with the Utah State program and cooperative agreement.

I have enclosed the memorandum terminating the Federal permit. Attached to the memorandum are the applicable standard conditions of approval of the Skyline mine mining plan approved by the Assistant Secretary for Federal leases U-020305, U-044076, U-0142235, U-014570, U-073120. These conditions were previously incorporated in the Federal permit. Notwithstanding the termination of the Federal permit, these conditions remain in full force and effect.

Utah DOGM is now the regulatory authority for surface coal mining and reclamation operations on Federal lands at the Skyline mine under the Utah State permit ACT/007/005, the Utah State program, and cooperative agreement. Mining operations on Federal leases U-020305, U-044076, U-0142235, U-014570, U-073120 must be conducted in accordance with the approved mining plan, the leases, the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, and its implementing regulations, as well as the State permit.

If you have any questions, please contact Richard Holbrook at  
(303) 844-2400.

Sincerely,

  
Ranvir Singh, Chief  
Federal Lands Branch

Enclosure

cc: Utah DOGM ✓  
Albuquerque Field Office  
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BLM Moab District Office  
Manti-La Sal National Forest  
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